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REF: STATE 269670

SUMMARY: ON BASIS LETTER RECEIVED FROM INCOMEX ON DECEMBER 9, EMBASSY CONCURS IN USDOC DECISION TO CANCEL SEPI-75. END SUMMARY.

1) FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL TRANSLATION OF LETTER DELIVERED PERSONALLY BY DR. ALBERTO GALEANO, DIRECTOR OF INCOMEX TO CHARGE ON DECEMBER 9: QUOTE: I WISH TO INFORM YOU THAT THE DIRECTIVE COUNCIL OF FOREIGN TRADE, IN ITS MEETING OF DECEMBER 3, 1974, CAREFULLY ANALYZED YOUR REQUEST TO PRESENT AN EXHIBITION OF U. S. INDUSTRIAL EQUIPMENT IN BOGOTA (SEPI-75) AS OUTLINED IN YOUR LETTERS OF NOVEMBER 4 AND 8. KEEPING IN MIND THAT COLOMBIAN POLICY IS TO SUPPORT INTERNATIONAL FAIRS AND EXHIBITIONS WHICH CONTRIBUTE TO THE PROMOTION OF COLOMBIAN EXPORTS AND NOT TO SUPPORT EVENTS WHICH PROMOTE IMPORTS, THE DIRECTIVE

COUNCIL OF FOREIGN COMMERCE WISHES TO CONFIRM ONCE AGAIN THIS POLICY, IN ORDER TO AVOID INTRODUCING ELEMENTS WHICH IN ANY WAY MIGHT INDICATE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST ANY ONE COUNTRY. END QUOTE. (COMMENT: ACCORDING TO DR. GALEANO, RATHER CRYPTIC LAST PHRASE OF SECOND PARAGRAPH MEANS THAT APPROVAL OF SEPI-75 WOULD BE QUOTE POSITIVE DISCRIMINATION END QUOTE AND WOULD ESTABLISH A PRECEDENT UNCLASSIFIED

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2) LETTER FROM INCOMEZ EFFECTIVELY TURN DOWN EMBASSY'S REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF 40 PERCENT ADVANCE DEPOSIT PAYMENT AND EXPEDITIOUS PROCESSING OF IMPORT LICENSE APPLICATIONS. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, EMBASSY REGRETFULLY CONCURS IN USDOC DECISION TO CANCEL SEPI-75. WHITE

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